

SEPTEMBER

NEW(S) HORIZON

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE WALPOLE COUNCIL ON AGING

2017

We are proud to sponsor many events and programs addressing the health and well-being of Walpole seniors. Look inside for dates and times for the following programs:

HEALTH AND SAFETY

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FOOT CARE
NUTRITION
NURSE VISITS
MEDICARE PLANNING
SHELTER AT HOME
TRIAD
WALPOLE VNA NURSING

EXERCISE

CHAIR EXERCISE
CHAIR VOLLEY
WALKING CLUB
WII BOWLING
YOGA
ZUMBA

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

AARP TAX PROGRAM
FARMERS MARKET COUPONS
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HESSCO LUNCH
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VETERANS MEETINGS

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

BINGO
BRIDGE
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KNITTING CLUB
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SENIOR SINGING GROUP
WALK-IN BREAKFAST
WRITING GROUP

TRIPS

DAY OF BEAUTY
STOP & SHOP
WALPOLE ERRAND DAY
REGIONAL DAY EXCURSIONS

WALPOLE COUNCIL ON AGING CENTER 135 SCHOOL STREET, WALPOLE, MA 02081

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30AM –4:30PM; Tuesday 8:30AM – 8:00PM Telephone: 508-668-3330, Fax: 508-660-7363, Website: www.walpole-ma.gov

The mission of the Walpole Council on Aging is to promote social, recreational and educational activities and provide advocacy and assistance to Walpole Seniors and their families.

SEPTEMBER TRIPS & EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	TIME & LOCATION (subject to change)
TUESDAY 9/5	Memory Café	Fun and welcoming event for individuals with forgetfulness and their families	1:00—2:30PM United Church
WEDNESDAY 9/6	Chair Volleyball	More fun than you can standing—while seated! Come enjoy this fun-filled game.	10:15AM COA
THURSDAY 9/7	Walpole Walmart	Ride provided to and from Walmart. Registration required.	Van leaves COA at 9:30AM
THURSDAY 9/7	Veteran Coffee Hour	A coffee & conversation hour where military veterans are encouraged to connect with other veterans.	10:00AM—11:00AM COA
THURSDAY 9/7	Chickie Flynn's Lunch	Registration required, preference to those who didn't attend in June. \$2.50 per person.	Van leaves COA at 11:00AM
MONDAY 9/11	Walking Through The Walpoles	Our resident historian Karl West presents an informative discussion about Walpole	10:30AM –11:30AM COA
MONDAY 9/11	TED TALK: Facing the Future	Viewing of Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks "How we can face the future without fear" and His Holiness Pope Francis "Why the only future worth building includes everyone"	11:00AM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/13	Coffee with Attorney J. DiPietro	Join us for coffee and to have your legal questions discussed.	11:00AM—12:00PM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/13	Twin Rivers	Registration Required.	Van leaves COA at 10:00AM
THURSDAY 9/14	Walk In Breakfast	Join us for a great home-cooked breakfast & wonderful company.	8:00—10:00AM COA—\$3.00 per person
THURSDAY 9/14	Keith Snow Performs	Enjoy country music performed by Keith Snow	11:00AM—12:00PM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/20	TRIAD	Norfolk County Sheriff's Department's monthly educational session at the COA.	11:00AM —12:00PM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/20	Hearing Assessments	Norwood Hearing Center provides compli- mentary 10 minute hearing assessments and video otoscope to see inside your ears.	10:00AM—1:00PM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/20	September Birthday Party	Is it your birthday this month? Celebrate your birthday with friend's at the COA. Cake generously donated by Harrington House.	2:00PM COA, Free
THURSDAY 9/21	Walpole Errand Day	The van will take you on errands around Walpole. Registration is required.	Times TBD based on registrants and destinations.
THURSDAY 9/21	Coping Techniques for Caregivers	The role of a caregiver can at times be overwhelming. Learn strategies to better cope.	9:30AM—10:30AM COA
THURSDAY 9/21	Wheel of Fortune	Laurie Blake from Home Instead brings Wheel of Fortune to the Center.	1:00PM COA
MONDAY 9/25	Chair Volleyball	More fun than you can standing—while seated! Come enjoy this fun-filled game.	10:15AM COA
MONDAY 9/25	Flu Clinic	Flu vaccine is recommended for everyone. Please remember your insurance card.	1:00PM—4:00PM COA
WEDNESDAY 9/27	Restaurant of the Month	Join us for lunch at Dolphin Seafood in Natick for fine seafood at a reasonable price.	12:00PM Van leaves COA 11:30AM
WEDNESDAY 9/27	Creative Corner	Spin the Wheel of Fortune with Laurie Blake from Home Instead.	1:00—2:00PM COA

SEPTEMBER TRIPS & EVENTS continued

DATE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	TIME & LOCATION (subject to change)
THURSDAY 9/28	Walk In Breakfast	Join us for a great home-cooked breakfast & wonderful company	8:00—10:00AM COA—\$3.00 per person
THURSDAY 9/28	Lunch and Learn Continuum of Care	Arm yourself with information about the ins and outs of a hospital stay. Our panel shares their expertise on hospitalization, discharge planning, rehabilitation and home care.	11:30AM—12:30PM COA
THURSDAY 9/28	COA Board Meeting	COA Board Monthly Meeting in Town Hall	1:30—2:30PM Room 112, Town Hall
FRIDAY 9/30	Grandparents Day Celebration	An early release day is planned for the Walpole Public Schools! Bring your grandchildren or great grandchildren to the center to play BINGO and enjoy refreshments as we celebrate!	2:00PM—3:00PM COA

September is National Senior Center Month "Masters of Aging", Empower, Enlighten, Engage and Enrich

September 11, Walking through the Walpoles, Karl West
September 20, Hearing Assessments, Norwood Hearing Center
September 21, Coping Techniques for the Caregiver, Bridges
September 28, Lunch and Learn Continuum of Care, Panel Discussion
September 29, Grandparent Day Celebration, BINGO and more!

BACK TO SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

The Walpole Council on Aging is working to update your information to be sure that we have accurate and complete records. We are also adding photos to our records. Come update your information

& have a photo taken.

SEPTEMBER 18th, 9AM—12:00PM





COA Board President Rich McCarthy with Walpole Swim Team at the Swim Across America Fundraiser.

Mary Murphy recognized for her 14 years of service as the Big Y Baked Goods Coordinator!



GRIEVING GROUP TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Join us Tuesday's for this 6 week program. Dates are **September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.** Meeting will be held in **ROOM 112 TOWN HALL, 1:00 PM TO 2:00 PM.** There is no charge to attend, please RSVP by **Thursday, September 21st**.



For more information or to register, call 508-660-7362 or see *Laurel St. Pierre, Outreach Worker Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00AM- 3:00PM*

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			**HESSCO lunch is provided daily for a \$3 donation. Call 781-784-4944 24 hrs. in advance for reservations or cancellations ALL PROGRAMS ARE 1 HOUR LONG UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.	1 9:00AM Zumba 10:00AM Wii Bowling 10:00AM Writing Club @ Library 12:00PM HESSCO lunch 12:30PM Bingo
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Please **sign up for <u>ALL</u> trips and events** you would like to attend. **IN-PERSON** and **PHONE** registration begin **Wednesday, September 6th at 8:30AM**.

You must speak to a desk volunteer. Leaving a voicemail **does not** register you for programs.

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4 LABOR DAY Center Closed HAVE A RELAXING LABOR DAY	5 AM Stop & Shop 8:30 AM Bird Park Walking 10:00AM Knitting Group 12:00PM HESSCO lunch 1:30PM YOGA 4:00PM A Musical Interlude	6 SIGN UP DAY 10:00AM Exercise Class 11:00AM Chair Volley 12:00PM HESSCO lunch 12:30PM Pokeno 2:30PM Senior Moments	7 WALMART 8:30AM Bird Park Walking 10:00AM Veteran Coffee Hour 10:30 YOGA 12:00PM HESSCO lunch 1:15PM Bridge/ Scrabble	9:00AM Zumba 10:00AM Wii Bowling 10:00AM Seekers Writing Club Walpole Library 12:00PM HESSCO lunch 12:30PM Bingo
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FROM THE DIRECTOR



Fall is upon us and it won't be long until the days turn crisp and cool. September is <u>National Senior Center Month</u> and I encouraged each of you to seek out opportunities to empower, enlighten, engage and enrich your life this month at our Center.

We continue to seek out volunteers with special interests to share with our collective and grow our offerings. Our Knit and Crochet group now meets Tuesday mornings at 10:00am. Come by to knit a project of your own or learn about their successful Veteran Lap Blanket program. The group maintains a stash of supplies and is always seeking 4-ply yarn appropriate for blankets. We will also be seeking materials and interested volunteers for a new project creating weighted blankets for Longview Farm, a part of the Home for Little Wanderers. Be in touch with Kerri if you are interested as we hope to begin working on this project soon.

THANKS Mary Murphy for managing the weekly BIG Y baked goods donations 2003 –present! **THANKS Walpole Swim Team** for the Swim Across America Swim-a-thon to benefit the new COA Building. **CONGRATULATIONS Dorothea Hanes and Rachel Tetreault,** winners of the Wii Bowling Tournament. **CONGRATULATIONS Rita Walsh** for winning the first LRC game and a \$25.00 Kohl's gift card.

Kerri McManama, Director Walpole Council on Aging



The Walpole Health Department in partnership with Rite Aid Pharmacy will be offering Walpole Flu Vaccine Clinics

September 25, 2017, 1:00-3:00 PM, Town Hall October 3, 2017, 4:00-7:00 PM, Walpole High School Cafeteria

The clinics are open to children ages 4 and older and are free for children 18 and under. Pre-registration is required for the Walpole High School clinic at **mylocalclinic.com**, enter Walpole, MA to log in. This site open to schedule appointments beginning September 5. All adults aged 19 and older must bring their medical insurance cards to the clinic.

<u>Influenza</u> is a contagious respiratory illness that spreads from person to person through coughing, sneezing or close contact. Symptoms include: fever, sore throat, chills, fatigue, cough, headache, runny or stuffy nose and muscle aches. While other illnesses have the same symptoms and are often mistaken for influenza, only the influenza virus can cause influenza. The influenza virus can cause mild to severe illness. Each year, on average, more than 200,000 people are hospitalized for respiratory and heart-related illnesses associated with the influenza virus, and thousands die from flu-related complications in the United States. Most of these deaths occur in the elderly, young children, and people with certain health conditions. The best way to prevent the flu is by getting vaccinated each year.

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WALPOLE COUNCIL ON AGING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

HESSCO Meal Site: (508) 668-3423, provided daily for a \$3.00 donation. Call for reservations or cancellations, 781-784-4944 at least 24 hours in advance.

Public Health Nurse: blood pressure screenings and health information every Monday morning at 9:30AM*

Health Insurance Counseling: by appointment only, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00AM—12:30PM

Legal Services: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 11:00AM—12:00PM*Free.

Foot Care: Mondays by appointment only, 9:00AM- 2:00PM, Cost is \$20. Call (508) 668-3330.

*Times subject to change



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NORFOLK COUNTY "ARE YOU OK?" (866) 900-RUOK (7865)

Receive a call daily to make sure you are up and OK!

POLICE (Non-emergency) 668-1212 FIRE DEPARTMENT (Non-emergency) 668-0260